

IN THE CLAIMS

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Listing of Claims:

Claims 1. - 142. (Canceled)

143. (Previously Presented)      An editing system for editing a plurality of clips to produce an edit resultant clip, comprising:

editing means for edit processing said plurality of clips on the basis of clip management data defining the edit processing performed on each of said plurality of clips to produce said edit resultant clip; each of said plurality of clips and said edit resultant clip having a corresponding enable/disable flag;

managing means for managing said plurality of clips on the basis of link information indicating a tree structure for linking said plurality of clips to produce said edit resultant clip; and

control means for modifying the edit processing performed on one of said plurality of clips in producing said edit resultant clip, setting the enable/disable flags corresponding to each of said plurality of clips linked in said tree structure above the modified edit processing to disable, re-edit processing each of said plurality of clips having enable/disable flags set to disable, thereby re-producing said edit resultant clip to include the modified edit processing, automatically updating said clip management data and link information for each of said plurality of clips in accordance with the modified edit processing; and re-setting the enable/disable flags

corresponding to each of said plurality of clips linked in said tree structure above the modified edit processing to enable

wherein a plurality of enable/disable flags corresponding to respective ones of the plurality of clips linked to the tree structure are reset at once in response to the modification of a single clip.

144. (Previously Presented)      The editing system according to claim 143, further comprising a clip database for storing the clip management data and link information.

145. (Canceled)

146. (Previously Presented)      A method of editing a plurality of clips to produce an edit resultant clip, comprising the steps of:

edit processing said plurality of clips on the basis of clip management data defining the edit processing performed on each of said plurality of clips to produce said edit resultant clip; each of said plurality of clips and said edit resultant clip having a corresponding enable/disable flag;

managing said plurality of clips on the basis of link information indicating a tree structure for linking said plurality of clips to produce said edit resultant clip;

modifying the edit processing performed on one of said plurality of clips in producing said edit resultant clip;

setting the enable/disable flags corresponding to each of said plurality of clips linked in said tree structure above the modified edit processing to disable;

re-edit processing each of said plurality of clips having enable/disable flags set to disable, thereby re-producing said edit resultant clip to include the modified edit processing;

automatically updating said clip management data and link information for each of said plurality of clips in accordance with the modified edit processing; and

re-setting the enable/disable flags corresponding to each of said plurality of clips linked in said tree structure above the modified edit processing to enable

wherein a plurality of enable/disable flags corresponding to respective ones of the plurality of clips linked to the tree structure are reset at once in response to the modification of a single clip.

147. (Previously Presented)      The method according to claim 146, wherein the clip management data and link information are stored in a clip database.

148. (Canceled)